

# St. Patrick and His Mission

BY ETHEL HARRISON

When the Picts and Scots invaded the neighboring Roman province, south of the wall of Severus, probably about 411 A. D., after the year Honorius had refused to aid the Britons, a youth, originally called Succath, but who is known as St. Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland, was carried off by pirates, with many others from the district in the neighborhood of the wall at the head of the Solway, and sold into slavery to an Ulster chieftain, on the opposite coast of Ireland, in the territory of the Irish Picts called Dal Araide, where he tended flocks for six years.

**Of Noble Birth.**  
The father of St. Patrick was Calpornius, a deacon and magistrate, and his grandfather, Potitus, was a priest, so according to such position in those times, the saint was of noble birth. After Rome refused protection to the Britons, it is presumed that Calpornius moved from Memthur, where St. Patrick was born, to Bonavem, Tabernal, whence the child was captured by the Picts.

It was probably on the Slensish mountains, in Antrim county, that he was in slavery, but he escaped into France, where he remained for some time in the abbey at Tours and later went to the monastery of Serius, an island in the Mediterranean, and it was while here that he is said to have become inspired to undertake the conversion of the pagan Irish.

In order to take up this labor he went to Rome and was ordained bishop. At the same time he received the papal benediction from Pope Celestine. He went to his mission work about 432.

**His Mission.**  
After returning from Rome and when about to take up his work, he lived with his kindred in Elyon who welcomed him as a son and implored him to remain among them always. St. Patrick insisted, however, that his mission was calling him. So completely was he absorbed with the thought that he said: "In my dreams the voice of the Irish, say continually, 'We pray thee holy youth to come and henceforth walk among us.'"

He tells us that one friend wished to deny him the power of higher consecration because he confessed some mistake committed at the age of 15 years, when 45 years of age.

**Founded Many Churches.**  
He is said to have founded more than 300 churches, baptized more than 12,000 persons with his own hands, ordained a great number of priests and to have been able to exterminate venomous creatures from the island miraculously. The time of his death is not known, his relics were preserved at Downpatrick. His sea was at Armagh about 454.

He said of his work: "You know and God knows how I have lived among you from my youth up."

# CHIHUAHUA WANTS MORE AMERICAN RESIDENTS

Jose Asunsolo, Jefe Politico of That City, Tells of Improvements.

"There are 6000 Americans in the city of Chihuahua and vicinity, and we want more," says Jose Asunsolo, jefe politico of the city of Chihuahua, a district, a sejourner in El Paso. "And that number of American settlers has nearly doubled in the last year," he added.

"No, the American bank failure at the capital has not hurt the American investors any as far as the Mexicans go. We all knew that it was going to happen. It does not injure the name of American capital. We try to treat all alike—Americans, English and Germans."

**Juneez Improvements.**  
"Juneez? Well, Juneez comes next for improvements. This is the centennial year, and the state of Chihuahua is receiving the greater part of attention. Now, we are having it at the city of Chihuahua. Governor Creel now is drawing up plans for the improvement of Juneez, along the lines suggested by the state. Yes, it will be started in Juneez very soon."

"At Chihuahua we are having many fine things. About \$600,000 is being spent in all. Streets are being paved, and the capacity of the water system tripled. The new federal palace will cost about \$450,000, and the old Casino clubhouse has been torn down to make room for a \$100,000 structure."

"Also we are installing a garbage crematory. That will cost about \$18,000. Yes, it is a fine thing. El Paso ought to have one."

Mr. Asunsolo is visiting El Paso on a month's vacation from his official duties at Chihuahua. He may travel through the interior of the United States, his course now being undecided.

**Educated at American School.**  
Educated at an American school, the visitor from the interior speaks excellent English, and is a firm believer in the American method of doing many things. His children are being educated at American schools in emulation of the father.

In all, Mr. Asunsolo is a courteous, man of affairs, typical of the Mexican of today, with facts and figures regarding his city at tongue's tip.

## TO RAISE FUNDS FOR THE Y. M. C. A.

Finance Committee to Secure Subscriptions to Meet Obligations.

In order to meet the expenditures of the Y. M. C. A. for 1910, the finance committee will, within a few days, begin a canvass of the business interests of El Paso to secure the necessary funds.

The income from the membership and other receipts meets about 75 percent of the annual obligations. An effort is to be made to secure the remaining 25 percent through subscriptions.

Letters have been mailed to a large number of El Paso citizens, apprising them of the intentions of the finance committee, which is composed of J. G. McNary, T. J. Jones, C. M. Newman, E. M. Bray, J. J. Ormsbee, H. B. Stevens, Dr. J. A. Reynolds, L. L. Sharpe, J. L. Campbell, I. A. Sheild, Col. Lewis and Dr. H. E. Stevenson.

## PENNSYLVANIA ROAD OPENS SCHOOL FOR APPRENTICES.

Altoona, Pa., March 16.—Among railroad schools is that which has just been established at Altoona, Pa., by the Pennsylvania Railroad company, the management of which has arranged with the Pennsylvania State college to send professors to Altoona two days a week to give instruction to apprentices employed in the railroad shops. Special quarters have been constructed for the school rooms.

The plan which the Pennsylvania Railroad company is experimenting is to educate apprentices along the lines of work which they are following, with a view that this instruction will result in their becoming better and more efficient workmen. The membership of the first class will be composed of apprentices of the fourth year who have shown ability in their work and a disposition to better their education. It will be optional with the young men whether or not they will take the course, but after entering the school attendance will be compulsory. The first class will be limited to 30 apprentices.

## DOGS MUST BE TAGGED AND MUZZLED BY APRIL 1.

"On April 1 every dog which is not muzzled and tagged with a license will be taken into custody by the city dog catcher," said Frank Alderete. "We know that it will be a hardship on some poor people if their dogs are taken to the pound, and they are compelled to pay to take them out, but we have to protect the public."

J. H. Morgan, manager of the Independent Telephone company, has gone to St. Louis.

## SKETCH OF ST. PATRICK'S DAY

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preach the gospel to the Irish. The hope of long years was about to be realized and the call of the Irish to be at last answered.

Patrick was consecrated bishop of Ireland, and with the pope's blessing, he sailed for Erin to spread the name of Jesus and Mary.

**Granted Free Speech.**  
The people of Leinster would not hear him, so he sailed again and landed a little south of the Boyne in fertile Meath.

Holy Saturday, 423 A. D., Patrick lighted the sacred fire, on the hilltop of the Seine near Tara. An angry king saw it, and summoned the saint to his royal presence. Patrick advanced, in his ecclesiastical robes, chanting the Easter litany.

To the assembled court Patrick declared his mission. The king listened to him and granted him the freedom to preach the gospel unobscured.

**The Shamrock.**  
History tells us that on this occasion Patrick, in his sermon on the Blessed Trinity, plucked the green shamrock from the hillside of Tara. and illustrated by its triple leaf, the unity of God in three divine persons.

From Meath he went into Cavan, the center of idolatry. Connaught was next visited, where the saint labored for over seven years, baptizing thousands of people and building churches without number.

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# THE CHORUS LADY

By James Forbes  
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Novelized From Forbes' Play of the Same Name by John W. Harding

She held up one foot that they might see her new tan shoes.

"You certainly was good to yourself," observed Inez.

"I've been savin' on car fare an' lunches," explained Patsy. "I just said it was up to me to refurbish from cellar to dome."

At this juncture a very neat and very black maid entered and handed a number of letters to Simpson, whose servant she was.

"People writing for autographs," drawled Simpson. "Mon Dieu, what a bore! Here, Blanche, take my coat."

"How d'you like me Fritz Scheffs?" continued Patsy, removing the hirsute adornments from her head and ignoring the show girl. "Take it from me, them puffs is gold to be the dead swell article. An' such a bargain! When I tell you the price you'll pass away. Just flash your glims on them cur—feel 'em—real hair! I got the puffs, the bunch of curls an' the bayrette for \$1.75 from a lady friend at the Casino. She's lettin' her hair go back to brown this season."

Inez suddenly recollected that she had brought up a letter for her. Patsy took it and fopped limply into her chair.

**CHAPTER VIII.**  
CRAWFORD was a man of taste and discrimination in some things at least. His apartments showed this. They were furnished with quiet sumptuousness and an eye to comfort.

Crawford had just gone out when Nora called. By the time the cab had rolled from the theater district and up the west side of the city to the house in West End avenue where Mallory's partner lived her excitement had cooled considerably, and with it her courage had faded out. She had never been to Crawford's house before, although her curiosity had more than once almost induced her to accept his invitations, given pressingly. She felt that she was not doing right, and when the elevator boy had let her off his car on the floor on which Crawford's apartments were situated her first impulse was to run downstairs again. Twice she extended her finger to press the button of the electric bell at the door and twice she drew back, afraid.

What would he think of her? She lamented helplessly that she had spent the money won for her companions and

got herself into this predicament. Patsy's words buzzed in her ears:

"Go to his rooms! Are you crazy? Ain't you got no gumption at all?"

The elevator was speeding upward again. The passengers on it were talking and laughing. They might be coming to Mr. Crawford's. Mr. Crawford himself might be coming with friends. Thoroughly terrified now, she dashed for the stairs, descended to the first bend, and shrank into the corner behind the car as it shot past her. It did not stop at Crawford's landing. She leaped upstairs again and, desperately, pressed the button of the apartment bell. Her heart beat so violently as she heard the muffled "ding" and waited, that it almost suffocated her.

In a few moments the door opened and the staid Rogers appeared. Nora had expected that Crawford would respond to the bell, and she was taken aback.

"I—I'm afraid I—I've made a mistake. I was looking for Mr. Crawford's," she stammered.

"This is Mr. Crawford's," said Rogers suavely. "Won't you walk in, madam?"

He effaced himself and, traversing a short entrance hall, she found herself in Crawford's "den."

Rogers advanced an easy chair for her near a fire of limitation logs fed by gas that blazed cheerfully in the fireplace, and she sat down.

"Mr. Crawford will be here in a few minutes, madam," he said respectfully. "He is at his club, but he told me to communicate with him if anybody called. Whom shall I tell him is waiting?"

Nora hesitated.

"Just tell him that a lady wishes to see him and it's very important," she directed.

"Very well, madam," said Rogers.

with a bow and an almost imperceptible smile.

He went out, closing the door behind him, and called up Crawford at the Athenaeum club from a telephone in the hall.

"Lady here wishes to see you, sir," he said when Crawford responded.

"Yes? What is her name?" he inquired.

"She didn't give me any name—just told me to tell you that she wanted to speak with you and that it was important."

"Important, eh? What does she look like—old, young?"

"Young and very pretty, sir. She's dressed for dinner or the opera, I think. Leastways, she hasn't any hat."

"That so? Well, ask her to be so kind as to wait one minute. I'll come up right away."

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## BISHOP NELSON APPROVES TUBERCULOSIS SUNDAY.

All Churches are Called Upon to Preach Gospel of Health on April 24 Throughout the Country.

New York, N. Y., March 17.—Approval of the movement for a national tuberculosis Sunday on April 24, recently inaugurated by the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis, is given in a statement by Rt. Rev. Richard H. Nelson, bishop coadjutor of Albany, N. Y., for the Protestant Episcopal church, issued today.

Bishop Nelson says: "I think well of the proposal that all the churches should unite on April 24 in presenting the truth concerning tuberculosis and stimulating public interest in the campaign for its prevention and cure."

"The campaign has entered upon its second stage. Having labored with some success to point out the danger, we are now concerned with the cure, and this depends upon improvement in condition of personal and social life. Whatever the churches may be able to do along this line, will be a double contribution to physical and spiritual betterment, and I should think that all would wish to have a share in such an enterprise."

Reports from all parts of the United States indicate that the Sunday set apart will be generally observed, by the preaching of sermons on tuberculosis and by the distribution of special literature.

The National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis declares that the campaign against tuberculosis is a warfare against ignorance, and that as soon as the people of the United States know that tuberculosis can be prevented and cured, they will demand that the needless waste of 200,000 lives annually be stopped.

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